

# 2015 Summer Camp Program Guide

**For youth and adult leaders**



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®  
NORTHEAST GEORGIA COUNCIL

Dear Scouter,

*Welcome to the Summer Camp 2015 Program Guide! We are excited about the wonderful opportunities that we can offer you and your Scouts! We had a fantastic year in 2014 and are planning a great camp in 2015!*

*This manual contains important information about your troop's or crew's stay at our camp. **Please make it available to the Leaders, parents, and youth Leadership of your unit.** Plan to take the time to read thoroughly and digest the information*

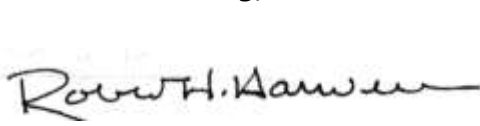
*contained in this Program Guide. It contains the answers to most of your questions and is the best way to be prepared for summer camp. Periodically the Guide will be revised with updated information as it becomes available. Please check your working copy version against the version date posted on our website [www.nega-bsa.org](http://www.nega-bsa.org).*

*We are once again assembling an excellent staff to support your troop or crew in 2015. They are " **highly motivated and truly dedicated**" to making the program a success. We think that you'll agree that your unit's summer camp experience will be an exciting adventure they will never forget.*

*On behalf of the Council Camping Committee and Council Advancement Committee, we thank you for committing a part of your summer to the youth in your unit. We have worked very hard to provide a quality summer camp experience for your Scouts and Leaders.*

*Again, we urge you to share the information in this guide. It is provided to prepare your Scouts and their parents. Please share this information with them so that the Scouts will gain the most benefit from their camp experience. We look forward to seeing you at camp this summer!*

*Yours in Scouting,*



Robert Harwell  
Camping Committee Chairman



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 click on CRM icon see CRM forms on the  
 Summer Camp Page)  
 Annual Health and Medical Record  
     Form # 680-001 or newer  
 Camp Payment Form  
 Course Planning Work Sheet  
 Individual History  
 Map of Camp  
 Summer Camp Registration Form  
 Whitewater K.C. Release Form  
 Whitewater Rafting Release Form  
     Nantahala / Ocoee  
 Unit Swim Classification (#19-122)

### Other Program Opportunities:

- ☐ **Ranger Camp** 2015 at Camp Merrill,  
Dahlonega, GA
- ☐ Camp Staff Opportunities
- ☐ CRM Alumni Association

# Why Summer Camp

**Y**ou can't take the "Outing" out of Scouting. The outdoor program is a feature

experience.

## National Camping

of Scouting that appeals to boys, and a week at our summer camp is a lakefront/mountaintop experience. No young man has ever forgotten his experiences from summer camp. Consider also that a unit on its own can't duplicate the program, facilities, and equipment. Our camp provides a variety of programs, air-conditioned dining hall, fully stocked trading post, **NEW** showers and restrooms and other facilities to match your unit's needs and desires.

**Program** - Our advancement opportunities are second to none! New Scouts can take advantage of our TNT program to work on their Tenderfoot, 2<sup>nd</sup> Class, and 1<sup>st</sup> Class rank requirements. All Scouts may work on merit badges toward advancements. Advancement is a prime reason a boy stays in Scouting...it is a measure of his success in the program. We recognize that no two Scout Units are alike. That's why Scout units can develop a program at our camps that suits their individual needs.

**Staff** - We have enthusiastic, well-trained staff members available to assist your unit with our program - whether for fun or for training. We begin the selection and training process for next summer as soon as the previous summer ends. Training is an ongoing process, which directly relates to your unit's successful summer camp

**Standards** - A team that represents the National Office of the Boy Scouts of America inspects our camps annually. We pride

ourselves for not only meeting but exceeding all standards and regulations. Strict health and safety standards are maintained at all times. Emergency facilities are available and trained medical personnel make

medical checks.

**Food** - Professional cooks manage our camp's food service. Three well-balanced meals are served every weekday by our enthusiastic staff.

As you turn through these pages, let us show you why Camp Rainey Mountain is the camp you want to experience.

**Please read this guide thoroughly, write down any questions you may have, and then read it again. If you still have questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.**



# Camp Program

## THE NEW TRAIL (TNT)

TNT is for new Scouts or "first-year campers" who have yet to reach the rank of First Class. The TNT course is a great way for your new Scouts to get that advancement jump-start they need. Tailored to fit the individual Scout's needs, each Scout will be placed in a patrol that fits him.

## Merit Badge Opportunities

This is an opportunity for Scouts to select from a list of many merit badges. Please note that some badges are more difficult than others and a **minimum age or camp experience** may be ***recommended for the Scouts own benefit***. Lets keep camp a fun experience, and not just "school work"!

## Venturing Advancements

A growing number of older Boy Scouts are becoming Venturers and other youth are joining directly into the Venturing program. We would like to extend to them the opportunity to participate in our program toward their advancements. We have several classes designed to help them toward their Ranger award. Some classes are designated as Venturing specific and others are Boy Scout classes that may require additional work beyond the scope taught in camp. Regardless, a Venturer will be challenged and enjoy a week at Camp Rainey Mountain. See page 16 for further info.

## High Adventure

At our camp, we offer several High Adventure programs for Scouts. To participate in the Climbing, COPE or Whitewater K. R. program, a Scout must be at least 14 years old by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 and have attained the rank of First Class. **ALL High Adventure participants MUST have an Annual BSA Medical Form #680-001 or newer.**

**"This is by far the best of the 5 camps we've been to!"**

**– Glen Long, Troop 8, Greater Alabama Council**

## How To Be Prepared for Camp



1. Before camp, know each Scout's advancement status.
2. Determine which Scouts will participate in the High Adventure Program.
3. Process your unit's *Merit Badge Course Schedule* using Online Coursework Registration in March.
4. Work on prerequisites before coming to camp.
5. Use the Patrol Method.
6. Let the more advanced Scouts help the younger Scouts.
7. Keep accurate advancements records.
8. Set a goal with each Scout...challenge him to do his best.
9. **Hint! – Hold a swim classification test prior to camp.** See "Swim Classification Procedures" # 19-122 **(This can streamline your Sunday check-in.)** This was very successful in 2014 Note: Every Scout in camp must take or must have taken the swim test.
10. Have all medical forms (#680-001 or newer) current and a **copy** turned into your unit leader **(Do not bring originals to camp).**

**See the "Program Section" of this guide for additional information and instructions on coursework registration.**



# GENERAL INFORMATION



## Plan Ahead!

### ***What Scouts should bring to Camp***

- ☐ Scout Field uniform – Complete with: shirt, shorts, belt, socks and T-shirts.
- ☐ Medical form #680-001 or newer (A, B, C sections should be up to date) including copy of insurance card, parents' signature, doctor's signature and their SS#.
- ☐ Prescription medications should only be in the quantity needed for summer camp and must have a proper prescription label.
- ☐ Extra clothing - socks, underwear, shoes, etc.
- ☐ Sweater or jacket (YES, We are in the MOUNTAINS!!)
- ☐ Rainwear (*We recommend a poncho*)
- ☐ Sleeping bag or bedding
- ☐ Swim trunks
- ☐ Soap, comb, toothbrush, towel and other personal items
- ☐ Scout, or Ranger Handbook, pens, pencils, notebooks, merit badge books
- ☐ Money for crafts, Trading Post, cokes, snacks (*\$57 is recommended, we accept Master Card, Visa & Discover*)
- ☐ Other items such as camera, compass, pack, flashlight, insect repellent, etc.
- ☐ Water bottle or camelback.

## Leader's Planning Outline

- ☐ Read the Leader's Guide carefully and thoroughly
- ☐ **Plan your unit's program.** Sign Scouts up for TNT, Merit Badges, High Adventure or the Scoutland Aquatics Outpost programs online
- ☐ Have your patrol Leaders' council review the guide
- ☐ Obtain medical forms from all Scouts and Leaders. Be sure that their family insurance number, social security number, parents' signature and doctor's signature is included.
- ☐ Unit flag & US flag
- ☐ Make sure you have your unit's proof of accident insurance (Northeast Georgia Units are covered.)
- ☐ Arrange two-deep Leadership for camp and traveling.
- ☐ **Discuss with parents:**
  - Time, place, and date of departure and return
  - The camp mailing address
  - The camp Emergency phone number
  - Directions to camp
  - How and when their son's medical form should be completed
  - (The original should be copied and left at home; the copy should be brought to camp.)**
  - Camp fees and money needed for program items.

**Phone Calls are DISCOURAGED! (Not available in Headquarters, EMERGENCY calls only)**

*(Typically a homesick Scout does not improve if he calls home.)*

**“Our troop enjoyed our stay during Week 2, the staff was great!”**

**--Stan Crane, Troop 54, Lawrenceville, GA**

## Frequently Asked Questions

- **Please be advised that driving into the campsite is not permitted. Those coming to visit will be walking & should dress accordingly.**
- **Is there electricity in campsites?** Yes, in some campsites, but not in all. Please specify needs to camping department.
- **Are there mosquitoes? Do we need nets?** No, Camp Rainey Mountain does not have mosquitoes.
- **Are there Bears?** Camp Rainey Mountain is in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains. There is a chance of a sighting.
- **Are there snakes?** Yes, there are many different types of snakes in the mountains.
- **Can we conduct the BSA Swim test before camp?** Yes, please refer to the forms section of our Leader's Guide online at [www.nega-bsa.org](http://www.nega-bsa.org).
- **Are there age limits for merit badges?** Yes, all High Adventure MB's have age requirements. Age suggestions are listed on all other MB's. These are not requirements, just suggestions.
- **Where can I mail a package to my Scout?** Mail all packages to Camp Rainey Mountain 1494 Rainey Mountain Road, Clayton, GA 30525. **Please mail packages at least 4 days before their first Monday of camp and no later than Tuesday of the week they are at camp. Make sure their name and Troop number is on all mail.**
- **When is family night?** Camp Rainey Mountain does not have a Family Night. If you must visit your Scout please check in at the Headquarters Building. If you are staying for meals, the cost is \$7 per person per meal. **Please remember that first year Scouts may get homesick and it may be best for them that you refrain from visiting.**
- **What is the temperature?** Days go into the upper 80's low 90's. Nights are high 60's low 70's.
- **Can we park our trailer at our campsite?** Most of our campsites have availability for trailer parking. **Limit on size of trailers.**
- **I have special dietary needs.** Please fax all requests to the Food Service Director two weeks prior to attending camp due to special purchasing requirements. 706-782-5590. Also see Dining Hall Operations in Facility section of our Leaders Guide.
- **Is there internet service?** Yes, Wifi is located in the Headquarters Building, Trading Post and Dining Hall
- **Is there cell phone service?** Cell phone service is not reliable at Camp Rainey Mountain.
- **Are there separate restrooms for youth and adults?** Yes.
- **Are there tarps covering Adirondack/cabin openings?** Available upon request.
- **When do I get my user name and password for online registration?** You must make your February 1<sup>st</sup> payment in order to receive your username and password, an e-mail will be sent to you.
- **Saturday arrivals to camp.** Pick up your packet at the Headquarters Building for campsite assignment. **(No staff available after 5pm. (Plan to arrive before 5pm) (No food or ice available for early check-ins. Troops should be prepared to be self-sufficient.)**
- **Can we use our School Medical forms?** No. Only the BSA Medical form #680-001 or newer parts A B & C will be accepted at Summer Camp.
- **Do we need to bring our original medical forms?** No. Please bring copies only.
- **What do we do for dinner Thursday night?** You may go into town or cook in your campsite. Please fill out the form you get Sunday in order to request a meal from the kitchen for you to prepare at your campsite. The kitchen does not loan equipment for preparing/cooking meals. Dutch Ovens (limited #) are available for loan at the Quartermaster.
- **Do we need Merit Badge books for every class?** Yes. It is strongly suggested that Scouts have their own MB pamphlet. Books are available for purchase in the Trading Post, or may be bought at home and brought to camp.
- **What are the age lists for all High Adventure Courses?** Mountain Trek, Climbing, COPE, Scoutland Aquatic Outpost, Gold Rush: 14 years old by June 1, 2015. Whitewater kayaking: 14 years old by January 1, 2015.
- **What merit badges kits are purchased in the Trading Post?** Basketry and Leatherwork, Wood Carving, Indian Lore and Space Exploration. Please do not pay for these with Summer Camp Registration fees.
- **What time is check-in on Sunday?** 1:00pm – 5:00pm
- **I have my user name and password, why can't I register my Scouts for classes?** One the Program Registration page make sure to **tell us the names of the people attending camp** are correct. This is found under **Add, Modify or Delete Registration**. Click on **Tell us names of the people attending camp** and make sure there is a check mark next to each name that is coming under **Attendee** and **Attendee Type** is correct. Save this section and click Continue. This will bring you back to the Program Registration page. Under **Register for Activities** click on **Sign up for Merit Badges and other activities**. You now should be able to register each Scout for classes. Any Question please call 1-800-699-8806 ext. 103.

## Summer Camp Planning Calendar



Below are some important dates to remember in planning for Summer Camp 2015.

### **October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014**

**(1<sup>st</sup> step)**     **\$250.00 Troop Registration Fee** is due to the Jefferson Council Service Center.

*Popcorn Fundraiser* – Raise money for camp by participating in the Council Popcorn Fundraising event this fall.

Participate in the Camp Card Program in March so Scouts can earn their way to camp.

### **November**

Set aside one troop meeting to discuss summer camp programs and select courses for each Scout to take. Use the ***Course Planning Worksheet*** found in the forms section of your program guide to obtain each Scout's desired schedule.

### **January**

Collect and send in your first payment of campers' fees early! Fees are \$85.00 per Scout *in-council*, (\$95 out of council) for the first payment. You must make the February 2<sup>nd</sup> payment in order to receive your **Online**

### **Coursework Registration**

### **February**

**(2<sup>nd</sup> step)**     **First payment due** \$85.00 per Scout *in-council*, (\$95 out of council) is due by February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Fees paid after the 17<sup>th</sup> of February should include an additional \$5 per Scout late fee for this payment.**

### **March**

**Online Course Registration opens at 10am on the following dates below for each week!**

3 <sup>rd</sup>	CRM Week 1 troops begin Online Coursework Registration
5 <sup>th</sup>	CRM Week 2 troops begin Online Coursework Registration
10 <sup>th</sup>	CRM Week 3 troops begin Online Coursework Registration
12 <sup>th</sup>	CRM Week 4 troops begin Online Coursework Registration
17 <sup>th</sup>	CRM Week 5 troops begin Online Coursework Registration
19 <sup>th</sup>	CRM Week 6 troops begin Online Coursework Registration
24 <sup>th</sup>	CRM Week 7 troops begin Online Coursework Registration

Collect and send in your second payment of campers' fees. Fees are due April 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **April**

**(3<sup>rd</sup> step)**     **Second payment due** \$85.00 per Scout *in-council*, (\$95 out of council) is due by April 6<sup>th</sup>. **Fees paid after the 20<sup>st</sup> of April should include an additional \$5 per Scout late fee for this payment.**

### **May**

Collect and send in your third payment of campers' fees. Fees are due June 1<sup>st</sup>. **Also, New Scouts and Webelos Crossover Scouts. Fees are due June 1<sup>st</sup>.**

### **June**

**(4<sup>th</sup> step)**     **Third payment due** \$80.00 per Scout *in-council*, (\$90 out of council) is due by June 1<sup>st</sup>. **Fees paid after the 15<sup>th</sup> of June should include an additional \$5 per Scout late fee for this payment.**

**WEEKS 1 & 2 participants should make their third payment (late fees do not apply) and balance of fee payments upon arrival at camp.**

**ADULT fees due upon arrival at camp along with any merit badge and High Adventure Course Fees. See Program Guide for calculating total adult Leaders' fees. Any other remaining fees are due upon arrival at Camp.**

May 31 – June 6	CRM Week 1
June 7 - 13	CRM Week 2
June 14 – 20	CRM Week 3
June 21 - 27	CRM Week 4
June 28 – July 4	CRM Week 5
July 5 - 11	CRM Week 6
July 12 - 18	CRM Week 7



# CAMP RULES

Although the SCOUT LAW and OATH should be the only rules a Scout needs, the following is a list of policies and standards that have been established to ensure that our Camps continue to maintain our excellent safety record:

1. B.S.A. Youth Protection Guidelines apply in camp! ALL Leaders and **Parents** are REQUIRED TO BE TRAINED!
2. NO radios, CD players, MP3 players, or video games. "Talk-about" type two-way radios are **NOT** allowed or to be used by Scouts (Leaders are O.K.)
3. NO rock throwing of any kind.
4. NO fixed-blade sheath knives allowed.
5. NO firearms or any kind of ammunition may be in the possession of any Scout or Adult.
6. NO fireworks of any kind allowed in camp.
7. NO pets or other animals should be brought to camp. (Guide dogs permitted)
8. Do not use aerosol cans in campsites.
9. All white gas lanterns, propane lanterns, stoves, etc., are to be filled and stored ONLY by adults. Fuel must be secured and locked away.
10. All cars will remain in the parking area while at camp. The only exception will be service vehicles and those used to transport handicapped Scouts and adults.
11. NO illegal drugs or alcoholic beverages are allowed at camp.
12. NO fires or open flames are allowed in tents, adirondacks, cabins, or any other structure at camp.
13. CLOSED TOE SHOES MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES in camp.
14. Anyone leaving camp at any time must sign out in the camp office.
15. Each unit must have adult supervision (over 21) at ALL TIMES while at camp (minimum 2 adults).
16. NO smoking in any buildings or in the presence of Scouts. **(There is a designated smoking area behind the OA building)**
17. The Scout Uniform Class A (Field Uniform) is required for dinner. Class B correctly worn, is the most proper dress.
18. All Scouts are to behave at all times in accordance with the Scout Oath and Law. Campers, Leaders & Adults who do not act like Scouts are subject for review by their local Scout Leaders and the camp management. Any person who violates laws or endangers anyone may be asked to leave the camp immediately. It will be the responsibility of the individual Unit's Leaders and/ or parents to remove the Scout/Adult from the camp within a designated time decided by the Camp Director. If a camper, leader or adult is sent home, no refund will be given for programs or services missed.
19. Camp should be operated for all in attendance in accordance with the information in the **Guide to Safe Scouting and Youth Protection Training**. Any violation of these guidelines is to be reported to the Camp Director or his designee. All unit Leaders are expected to follow these guidelines at all times. (The Guide To Safe Scouting is available online).
20. No improper or unauthorized possession or use of any medication in camp.

**"The Premiere** summer camp any boy will love to attend, BEST CAMP STAFF EAST OF THE MISSISSIPPI."

— Glen McGee, Troop 737, Summerville, SC

**DRUGS and Alcohol:** Drug laws will be strictly enforced according to the criminal code of the State of Georgia. Alcohol use is strictly prohibited on Northeast Georgia Council, BSA property.

**FIREARMS:** Firearms and ammunition are available at the camp for use **ONLY** on the rifle / shotgun range. **NO OTHER FIREARMS WILL BE PERMITTED IN CAMP.** **Do NOT** bring your personal firearms or bows.

**IMMUNIZATION:** The State of Georgia Immunization Unit and recommendations adopted by the BSA Health and Safety Support Committee (2008) requires all attendees to have adequate immunizations including Tetanus. Many teenagers are not fully protected against all preventable diseases such as measles, mumps, and rubella. To assist in maintaining a healthy and safe environment, all immunizations listed on the BSA Medical Form (from # 680-001 or newer) must be current and documented on the BSA Medical Form. Individuals with religious, philosophical, or medical objections to receiving immunizations must document this on a BSA Immunization Exemption Request form (BSA Form # 680-451) and attach it to the BSA Medical Form.

**UNIT LEADERS:** Each unit must have two registered adult Leaders in camp at all times. One leader must be at least 21 years of age and the other leader must be at least 18 years old. In most cases the committee will be able to secure the services of their regular unit leader. Quality, trained Leadership is a prime committee responsibility and will be paramount to the success of your unit in camp, and of course TWO ARE BETTER THAN ONE. Many committees have been successful in arranging for two or more Leaders to go to camp. Both have more fun and the operation of the unit becomes more efficient. If there is a substitution of the unit leader (over 21) then there should be an overlapping period of time during which both adults are in camp in order to maintain program continuity and adult supervision over the unit at all times.

**Units should bring U.S., Unit, and Patrol Flags. (This goes toward your campsite inspection score)**

**Remember, camping is done using the Patrol Method.**



## Camperships

The Northeast Georgia Council has a limited number of Camperships available for Northeast Georgia Units that participate in our annual **Family Enrollment, Trails End Popcorn Sale** and the **Camp Card Sale**. These camperships are endowed by funds raised in these two sales. Camperships are available by application using the **"Specific Assistance Request Form"**. Some Scouts or families may give you an excuse

as to why they are not attending camp. Please discreetly investigate, and if it is a financial issue let them know of available funding.

See the "Fees Section" of this guide for more information on campers fees.

***Please don't let any of your Scouts stay at home because of financial need!***

**"Very impressed with the staff"**

**John Taylor, Coastal Empire Council**



## HOW TO REGISTER YOUR UNIT

To register for camp, contact the Director of Support Services / or Camping Department at the Northeast Georgia Council Service Center in Jefferson, GA. at (800) 699-8806. A \$250.00 per unit fee is required to register for camp. The Summer Camp Registration Form can be found online at [www.nega-bsa.org](http://www.nega-bsa.org).



The \$250.00 registration fee must accompany the unit's summer camp registration request. Reservations are taken on a first-come first-serve basis. Reservation requests received without the \$250.00 registration fee **will not** guarantee your registration.

**We receive many requests beyond our capacity. It is important to keep us informed of any changes in your unit's projected attendance.**

\$75 per Scout is due by February 4, 2015 to continue to hold your reservation and to begin coursework registration online. **Units not meeting this deadline may not receive their Online Coursework Registration UserID and Password in time to begin registering Scouts for their courses.**

The number of Scouts and Adults that a unit brings to camp will determine their campsite assignment. Any unit that does not fill a campsite may be assigned a campsite with another unit.

### **REFUND POLICY**

If your unit cancels its reservation before March 1<sup>st</sup>, then any money beyond the initial registration fee will be considered for a refund. **Registration fees are non-refundable.** Any reservations canceled after April 1<sup>st</sup> will be considered on an individual basis only. Individual partial refunds will be considered only in the event of illness and if the Council Director of Support Services receives a written request within two weeks following the unit's week at summer camp. All refund requests after June 1<sup>st</sup> are subject to a minimum of \$28 administrative cost per Scout. Refunds will be processed as soon as possible after the camping season, but could be as late as October. All refund requests should be addressed in writing to the Council's Director of Support Services at the following address:

Director of Support Services  
Northeast Georgia Council  
PO Box 399  
Jefferson, GA 30549

**\*NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE AT CAMP\***

## Early Arrivals / Late Departures

We are happy to work with your travel plans. Should your unit need to arrive early or depart later than normal, you need to make prior arrangements with the Camping Department at the Jefferson Service Center **by going on line to (Doubleknot) under group forms and filling out the Early Arrivals / Late Departures section.** Units arriving on Saturdays or staying past Saturday noon will be charged an additional \$5.00 per person per day. Units arriving early or staying late are responsible for providing their own Leadership, medical support, meals and ice. **You should plan to arrive before 5pm.**

**Camp Rainey Mountain staff will NOT be available for early arrival check-ins after 5pm.**

**Please use the CRM Payment Form worksheet found in the "Forms Section" to maintain your unit's payment records.**

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**CAMP FEES:** \$250 In-Council Scouts  
\$280 Out of Council Scouts

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## 2015 FEE SCHEDULE

By Registering to attend, troops agree to make the following fee payments as scheduled:

#1 \$85 per Scout **in-council**, (\$95 out of council). Payment must be postmarked by Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**A Late fee of \$5 per Scout will be added after Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>.**

#2 \$85 per Scout **in-council**, (\$95 out of council). Payment must be postmarked by April 6<sup>th</sup>.

**A Late fee of \$5 per Scout will be added after April 20<sup>th</sup>.**

#3 \$80 per Scout **in council**, (\$90 out of council). Payment must be postmarked by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

**A Late fee of \$5 per Scout will be added after June 15<sup>th</sup>.**

By registering to attend a Northeast Georgia Council Summer Camp, the troop must make the February 2<sup>nd</sup> payment in order to maintain its reservation. A late fee of \$5 per Scout should be added for fees paid after February 16<sup>th</sup>.

The Balance of camper fees, High Adventure fees, Adult Leaders' fees, and additional program fees are due at Camp during Financials on your scheduled Sunday Check-in.

Additional fees may apply for certain programs, merit badges, and high adventure. Camp Rainey Mountain is committed to providing the **best quality camp** experience at the **most affordable costs** for our youth. By charging special fees only for those programs that have an unusual direct expense, **we are able to keep our base fee very affordable which covers most of the Scouts**. The majority of Scouts that attend summer camp are 11 – 13, and enroll in our first Year Camping program and / or basic merit badge courses without additional fees.

**Leaders' fees** are \$150. A \$10 discount towards the total Leaders' fees will be applied for each youth attending camp (In other words, for every 15 youth attending camp, one leader may attend at no charge!). Leaders' fees are due with the balance of campers / Adult fees at Sunday Check-in.

**Troop Registration Fee:** Troops must pay the non-refundable \$250.00 registration fee to receive reservation confirmation. Registration fee is due on the day of your registration.

**High Adventure Fees** - Additional fees apply. See the course catalog for specific fees. High Adventure fees are due with the balance of campers / Adult fees at Sunday Check-in.

**Merit Badges Fees** – Scouts should bring the proper amount of spending money for items marked "trading post purchase" in the Course Catalog for various kits or items in the Camp Trading Post. **These items are not prepaid or pre-purchased** through the camping office. See the Course Catalog for details.

**The following courses** have minimal additional fees which must be paid with the balance of your campers' fees at Sunday Check-in: Archery, Rifle, Shotgun, Metalwork, Electronics, Fly Fishing, Chemistry, Composite Materials, Welding, Golf, COPE, Climbing, Gold Rush, Mountain Trek, Whitewater K.R., Epic Adventure and Scoutland Aquatics Outpost.

**Webelos Crossovers and New Scouts** - may pay the early registration fee schedule, if paid by June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please submit a copy of their Boy Scout Application with their fees in order to receive their discounted prices.

**Camperships** are available to assist with the financial needs of Northeast Georgia Council Scouts. See campership section in this guide. These funds are available because of the annual Camp Card sale and Trail's End Popcorn. Thanks for participating!

**Adventure Troop** is for the individual Scout who cannot attend summer camp with his own troop. Adult Leadership is provided for these Scouts to ensure that they have the same opportunities afforded other Scouts. The Adventure Troop will be available during the fifth and seventh weeks. There is an additional \$20 fee.

Early Arrivals / Late Departures \$5.00 per person per day.

Refer to the previous section for our refund policy.

***Please use the CRM Fees Worksheet found in the "Forms Section" to maintain your troop's payment records.***

## MEDICAL FORMS AND PHYSICALS



Each Scout and leader **MUST** submit the completed **BSA Medical form #680-001 or newer** upon arrival at camp. There will be no exceptions regardless of amount or degree of activity. An official copy of BSA medical form #680-001 or newer for youth and adults can be found online at [www.nega-bsa.org](http://www.nega-bsa.org). Whitewater Kayaking participants have an **additional required form**, provided in the forms section of this guide.



**SPECIAL HINT: Bring a Photocopy of the original medical form and leave the**

**original at home!**

### THE ALL NEW HEALTH LODGE!

**Anyone arriving without a completed BSA Medical Form (BSA #680-001 or newer) will be required to secure such, at his/her own expense, before he/she will be checked into camp.**

**Please be sure that the parents have signed the medical forms and accompanying notes when appropriate (see above.)**

**Caution:** The forms are not valid without these signatures.

Scoutmasters are expected to pick up all medication **and medical health forms** at checkout time's on Saturday. *Prescription medications taken while at summer camp must be listed on that individuals BSA Medical Form, in a medically approved container, and properly identified with a prescription label. Medications requiring a temperature controlled environment can be stored at the Med Lodge. An adult leader must accompany any Scout needing access to these medications (except in emergencies). All other medications must be maintained in a controlled manner by the adult Leaders of the unit at the campsite.*

Medical expenses incurred by Scouts and adult Leaders while in camp (doctor bills, hospital fees, etc.) will be billed to the home of the person receiving treatment. If the family does not have appropriate insurance coverage, they may turn the bill over to the unit to be paid by the unit's insurance policy.

**REMEMBER:** All Units must bring proof that they have medical insurance! Northeast Georgia Units **ARE** covered under a council policy.

In the event of a non-life-threatening injury or illness the unit will be asked to provide transportation to the local doctor or hospital.

**"Six of my Scouts and I just returned home to Florida from going on the Rainey Mountain trek on the Bartram Trail in North Carolina and Georgia. We had a great time. Please note that your trek staff was excellent and well trained."**

**– Elliott Jones, Scoutmaster, Troop 503, Vero Beach, FL.**



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# Camp Rainey Mountain

## Emergency Procedures

*The purpose of this plan is to familiarize staff members or any person reading this plan on the emergency procedures to be conducted in the event of an emergency. This plan will cover the following possible situations, protective measures, and how situations will be handled: a missing person, fire, tornado or windstorm, epidemic or mass illness, serious accident or fatality, and special hazards.*

*In the event of a missing person, fire, tornado, windstorm, epidemic or mass illness, serious accident or fatality, or special hazards, use the following procedures:*

- *When the alarm is sounded, **Campers will hear three cannon blasts**, and then **ALL** Scouts / Adults should report to their campsite. Staff will report to the Headquarters Building.*
- *Staff will send a runner to each campsite with instructions.*
- *Scout Leaders should make a roll call and report any missing persons to the Staff runner.*
- *Instructions may require Scouts to go to the Headquarters Building or Holder Dining Hall in case of weather-related emergencies or to the Waterfront in the event of a lost swimmer emergency.*
- *In the event of **High Temperature** and **High Humidity**, Scouts and Leaders should drink plenty of fluids. Each person should drink as much as four (4) quarts of water a day. Even those in top physical condition should avoid strenuous exercise and long hikes.*
- *In the event of **High Humidity**, the camp health officer will remind Scouts and Leaders at each meal to drink plenty of water.*
- *In the event of **Lightning**, all aquatic activities will halt and all participants will move to the nearest shelter, **Not A Tree**. When the storm passes, Scouts will be advised by the aquatic director as to the resumption of their activities.*
- *In the event of a **Chemical Spill**, the Fire Department and Sheriff Office will be notified.*

## **THURSDAY DINNER**

On Thursday night your unit will have the opportunity to cook over an open fire in your own campsite. If your Unit decides to cook in your camp site on Thursday evening, please complete the form provided by the Food Services Director on Sunday. This form must be turned in to him by noon on Monday. On Thursday afternoon, between 4:30 PM and 5 PM, you are welcome to send Scouts to the dining hall to pick up fixins' for a great campsite meal. Please be sure that you pick up any other supplies - Dutch ovens, etc. - from the Quartermaster ahead of time. Remember, you must pick up your dinner supplies from the kitchen by 5 PM.  
(Those on the Nantahala Whitewater Raft Trip will be provided a meal by the Outfitter before returning to camp.)

**Many Units use this meal as a chance to order food from town or to go out to dinner**, please check the handout at camp for "Scout Friendly" locations.

## **PHOTO OPPORTUNITY**

**Friendly Reminder:** When your unit arrives at camp Sunday, it is a great opportunity for **YOU** to take a Unit photo. This is a great way to preserve those priceless memories. We do not take unit photos so be prepared with your own camera. Many Units post photos during the week at online locations such as photobucket for their parents to see. Please share your outstanding photos with us to post on our information screens in the dining hall.

## **TALENT RELEASE AGREEMENT**

I hereby assign and grant to the local council and the Boy Scouts of America the right and permission to use and publish the photographs/film/videotapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings made of me or my child at all Scouting activities, and I hereby release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from any and all liability from such use and publication. I hereby authorize the reproduction, sale, copyright, exhibit, broadcast, electronic storage, and/or distribution of said photographs/film/videotapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings without limitation at the discretion of the Boy Scouts of America, and I specifically waive any right to any compensation I may have for any of the foregoing.

See the Medical form #680-001 or newer.

## **TRADING POST**

Our trading posts are well stocked with the supplies that you need. We also have uniform parts, crafts, personal toiletries, and souvenirs such as T-shirts, hats, patches, knives and other camping gear. We have soft drinks, snacks, ice cream, ice and munchables. Of course we accept cash, checks, MasterCard, Visa, or Discover. Some Scouts bring pre-loaded cards. Based on past camps we recommend that Scouts bring \$75.00 plus fees needed for additional classes.

## **BARRIER FREE**

The Northeast Georgia Council has dedicated time and energy to make our camps the finest and most accessible facilities anywhere.

The Johnson & Johnson Barrier Free Campsite at Camp Rainey Mountain is part of that commitment. This campsite is available to Units who have members with special needs. It is reserved on a first come first served basis. If it is not available for the time your unit is scheduled, please contact the Council Director of Support Services for possible alternatives for your needs.

The Johnson & Johnson site is located near the waterfront area adjacent to the Russell campsite. This central location makes it easily accessible to nearly all other areas of camp. The site is equipped with four extra-large 3-man tents that are fully wheelchair accessible. Special needs facilities (showers & bathrooms) are also located at the Johnson & Johnson site. These restrooms are conveniently available for the use of special needs Scouts and adults.

Our new **Showers and Restrooms** located next to the Cornelia, Maupin and Alto campsites are also barrier free.

We have added a **limited** amount of **electrical outlets** in selected campsites specifically for the convenience of special needs Scouts and Adults who must have their appliances powered. Please contact the Camping Department in the council office if your unit has this need.

## SWIM TEST



All Scouts and Leaders attending Summer Camp must take the Boy Scout swim test. The BSA Swimmers test should be re-taken by all participants every 12 months or when the unit attends camp. **The unit may also hold their own "unit swim check" in accordance with B.S.A. Standards, (see "Swim Classification Procedures" # 19-122 in the forms section of this guide).**

**SPECIAL HINT!!!** (Yes, you can do your own prior to camp!) Units that have already completed their swim tests before arrival to camp should present a copy of the results at check-in. Those Units will receive their "Buddy Tags" at that time. The Unit Leader administering the BSA Swim test must be certified in Safe Swim Defense (this training is also held at Summer Camp). The Unit Swim Classification form must be certified by the Aquatics Director upon arrival at camp. The Aquatics Staff reserves the right to re-test any Scout in their swimming ability while at camp.

***This can really streamline your Sunday afternoon!***

**Any Scouts or Leaders that didn't do an early swim test will do so on Sunday.** As soon as your Unit Guide leads you to your campsite, your boys should prepare to take the swim test. Upon arrival at the waterfront your unit will be issued Buddy Tags. All Scouts and Leaders will be classified according to their swimming ability on the following scale:

**Non-swimmer:** One who does not meet "Beginner" swimmer requirements.

**Beginner:** One who can jump into water over his head and swim a minimum of 50 feet using any stroke, with at least one sharp turn, but has not met the Swimmer requirements.

**Swimmer:** One who can jump into water over his head, level off and swim 75 yards in a strong manner using the trudgen, crawl, sidestroke, or breast stroke (with proper breath control) and then swim 25 additional yards using the elementary backstroke, be able to float on his back with a minimum of movement.

At our camps it is our aim that all youth be able to enjoy our Waterfront Area. This year we will again be offering swimming lessons aimed at non-swimmers and beginners with the goal of helping the Scout pass his BSA swim test before the end of the week. See the Program Section for the class periods that this will be offered.



CRM waterfront circa 1970



## VEHICLES IN CAMP

**NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED BEYOND THE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING.** All vehicles must be parked in the camp parking lot. Note: The camp ranger will be available to move unit gear to and from campsites during Sunday check-in and Saturday checkout. Units must be prepared to "backpack" all gear brought to or from their campsite during the week. We will allow one vehicle at a time per unit to carry gear During Sunday Check-in and Saturday check-out (one vehicle only, **No buses will be permitted on the camp roads**). All Trailers will be moved by the ranger and/or his staff only. Camp will provide a trailer for gear for Units that need assistance moving gear to their campsite.

**NO Vehicles will be allowed in camp after Sunday check-in.** All gear, after Sunday evening, must be packed in or other arrangements made with the ranger or commissioners. **Handicapped vehicles are not to be used as a shuttle for non-handicapped Scouts or Scouters.**

The speed limit throughout camp is **7 mph**. **While traveling on camp roads turn headlights on bright and use hazard flashers to alert any Scouts on camp roads.** Also remember to wear seatbelts at all times.

**Unit Trailers** are permitted in the designated areas at certain campsites.

**TELL YOUR PARENTS AND LEADERS** *that BSA policy prohibits anyone from riding on fenders, hoods, and trunks of cars or in the open beds of pickup trucks. Untrained parents seem to be our worst offenders, be sure to share these rules with them before camp. Please help us to maintain our Camps' high standards of safety by abiding by these rules.*

## ***Golf Cart/RTV/UTV Rules for Camp Rainey Mountain***

1. Operate Vehicle according to Manufacturer's warnings and instructions.
2. Do not exceed 7 mph.
3. Vehicles to be driven by **AUTHORIZED DRIVERS, ONLY.** (To be authorized, must be over 21 and possess a valid driver's license and sign the release acknowledging these rules)
4. Only authorized passengers allowed on the vehicle. (Authorized are adults or Scouts with special needs approved by Camp Director.
5. Do not leave key in vehicle.
6. Place vehicle in neutral and set parking brake before exiting vehicle.
7. Do not operate at night unless equipped with **HEADLIGHTS AND TAIL LAMPS.**
8. Only operate in approved areas. The only approved areas in camp are roads.
9. Do not exceed passenger capacity.
10. Passengers are to be fully seated on the seat and holding on while vehicle is moving.
11. Use caution and reduce speed when driving near people.

## DIRECTIONS TO Camp Rainey Mountain

***DO NOT ASSUME your GPS directions are correct!*** Basically located "Approximately 6 miles west of South Carolina and 12 miles south of North Carolina". Or...

**GPS users: N34.51'54.92 W83.20'35.60**

From Atlanta...

Take I-85 North to I-985 North  
(Towards Gainesville)

Stay on I-985 North, this will become Ga. 365 North  
Stay on Ga. 365 North, this will merge with US 441 North  
Stay on US 441 into Clayton, Ga.  
Turn Right at the light on US 76 East (look for the brown  
**"Rainey Mtn. Scout Camp"** sign)

(Walgreens is on the right, McDonald's is on the left)  
Go 4.2 miles to Rainey Mountain Road  
(Keep a sharp eye out...it's easy to miss!)  
(Look for the granite Camp Rainey Mountain sign on left)  
Turn left  
Dead ends into camp!

